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Subject: The Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan

Dear Chairwoman Marcus and State Water Board,

Please adopt improved policies to protect the Delta of San Francisco Bay from excessive export of water. It is a precious environmental and recreational resource that also generates jobs and tax revenues. The science is clear: the reduced river flows reaching the Delta, together with excessive water exports, result in poor water quality while fish populations crash. The runs of salmon, a keystone species, have decreased dramatically. Studies show that salmon and other species thrive only when there is enough water.

It is not a matter of fish versus farms or environment versus food supply. As water supplies dwindle, we all have to consume less water and invest in efficiency measures. This includes agricultural interests in the central valley, many of whom are raising products for export. They have options that include greater efficiency, retiring toxic lands, fallowing land in dry years and just plain not trying to raise water intensive crops in the desert.

I have heard of the Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan and urge you to issue a Substitute Environmental Document to support this plan. You can play an important role in preserving the future of California by reversing practices that are obviously unsustainable.

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